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**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM****Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Transmittal No. 3****June 23, 2004**

To: Maryland State Department of Education  
Providers, Autism Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder

From: *Susan J. Tucker*  
Susan J. Tucker, Executive Director  
Office of Health Services

Note: Please ensure that appropriate staff members in your organization are informed of the contents of this transmittal.

Re: Fiscal Year 2005 Program Rate Increases

On July 1, 2004, payment rates will increase for certain services under the Home and Community Based Services Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder. The regulatory authority for these changes can be found in COMAR 10.09.56 under Regulation .22C(3) Payment Procedures. Payment rates affected by this regulation will be increased by 2.5 percent on July 1 of each year. **Providers may bill using the new rates for services provided on or after July 1, 2004.**

**\*\*Please note the billing unit for Therapeutic Integration Services has changed from a four-hour unit to a one-hour unit. A maximum of four units of Therapeutic Integration Services may be billed on the same day to the same participant.**

Questions regarding this transmittal should be directed to Tia Waddy, the Coordinator for the Waiver for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder at 410-767-5220.

Enclosure (1)



**CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER WAIVER**  
**Payment Rates Effective July 1, 2004**

| <b>Service</b>                        | <b>Procedure Code</b> | <b>New Payment Rate</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Intensive individual support services | W9306                 | \$ 26.92 per hour       |
| Therapeutic integration services      | W9307                 | \$ 21.53 per hour       |
| Respite care                          | W9314                 | \$ 21.01 per hour       |
| Family Training                       | W9315                 | \$ 88.31 per hour       |
| Supported employment                  | W9311                 | \$ 89.38 per half day   |

**NOTE: With the exception of supported employment, all services must be billed in one-hour increments. Services provided for less than one hour may not be rounded up to the next dollar for billing purposes.**

Other billing limitations apply, as specified in COMAR 10.09.56.